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HOUSE RESOLUTION 1 of the Second Extraordinary Session
By Williams (Wil)

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Franklin business and community leader, Mr. Al L. Gregory.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to honor those outstanding citizens of our state who competently serve their communities as business leaders and public servants; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Al L. Gregory is one such highly regarded and respected individual, who founded Lewis Glass Company in April, 1977; and

WHEREAS, under his dynamic leadership that company, which produces glass products, mirrors, store fronts, storm windows, storm doors and patio doors, has grown and prospered; and

WHEREAS, the son of the late Jack and Beverly Gregory, Mr. Gregory was born on November 17, 1947 and is a distinguished 1966 graduate of John Overton High School; and

WHEREAS, in 1987, Al Gregory heeded the call to public service by running successfully for Franklin alderman. He ran unopposed for a second term, and was later appointed to a vacant at-large seat by Mayor Jerry Sharber in 1992; and

WHEREAS, during his distinguished service as alderman, Mr. Gregory has provided admirable service as police commissioner, and as a member of the public safety, public transportation, sanitation and public utilities committees, the historic zoning commission, and the beer board; and

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WHEREAS, he also served in the important position of Franklin Vice-Mayor; and

WHEREAS, a true humanitarian, Mr. Gregory generously contributes hams and turkeys to the poor at Thanksgiving and Christmas; and

WHEREAS, Big Al's forceful voice has instructed numerous Gatlinburg residents to return to their hotels; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gregory has been married to his beloved Janice since March 12, 1968; they are the proud parents of two children, Amy Mott and Al, Jr., and the grandparents of two grandchildren, Emily and Alan Mott; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to commend this dedicated public servant; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor Al Lewis Gregory, for his contributions to the city of Franklin and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.